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1. The Directorate of Labor Forces incorporates the Trudovaks, who are considered as reserve engineers, in an essentially military organization. All Bulgarian citizens who for various reasons (physically unfit for military service, political reasons, etc.) are not called up for military service, are obliged to serve in the Trudovaks.
2. The Labor Army, originally subordinate to the Ministry of Reconstruction, allegedly is subordinate, since October 1951, to two ministries, as follows:
 - a. The Ministry of Defense, for training and general assignments; and
 - b. The Ministry of Interior, for security tasks and special assignments.
3. The Trudovak organization is subdivided into seven oblasts or regions, as follows:
 - a. The 1 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Sofia;
 - b. The 2 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Plovdiv;
 - c. The 3 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Sliven;
 - d. The 4 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Shumen (nor Kolarovgrad);
 - e. The 5 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Turnovo;
 - f. The 6 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Pleven; and
 - g. The 7 Trudovak Oblast, with headquarters in Radomir.
4. The Trudovak troops are constituted of an unidentified number of regiments and brigades. According to unconfirmed reports, the regiments are allegedly composed of three companies which are armed with rifles, and normally assigned to guarding workyards. The Brigades, formed exclusively for workers, are allegedly composed of six to eight companies.

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5. In general, each oblast allegedly has one Trudovak regiment. However, depending on the work to be performed, an oblast may have several regiments or brigades. The Trudovaks work on the construction, reconstruction, improvement, and repair of state projects such as barracks, factories, bridges, roads, public buildings, workers' homes, hydraulic projects, defensive installations, etc.
6. The total number of men in the Trudovaks allegedly amounts to approximately 30,000.

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